GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SHIPPING
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1255
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VALLARPADAM INTERNATIONAL TERMINAL
SURESH KODIKUNNIL

Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Vallarpadam International Terminal has been approved by the Government;

(b) if so, the details thereof including when it is expected to be commissioned; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING (SHRI DILIPKUMAR MANSUKHLAL GANDHI)

(a) to (c): It has been decided to develop an International Container Transshipment Terminal (ICTT) at Vallarpadam, Cochin.Cochin Port has already invited bids for this project on build, operate and transfer (BOT) basis.A container handling capacity of 1.5 million twenty feet equivalent units (TEUs) is likely to be created in the first phase of this project with an ultimate capacity of 3.3 million TEUs by the year 2025 involving an estimated investment of Rs. 2118 crores.